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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

NOVEL MICROORGANISMS AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING XYLITOL OR D-XYLULOSE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yasuhi

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EXAMINER: Q. Nguyen

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

TOYON TO SOLL It is hereby requested that a two month extension of time be granted to March 19, 2003 for

- filing a response to the Official Action dated:
- responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:
- filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due

has been timely filed.

- responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:
- filing a Notice of Appeal. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed herewith along with an Amendment and Request for Reconsideration.
- filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of \$410.00 is enclosed herewith by check and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. <u>15-0030</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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